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Re: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/474,435

Filed: December 28, 1999

Title: Arabidopsis thaliana Genome Sequence and Uses Thereof

Applicants: Yongwei CAO et al. Attv. Docket: 16517.044

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO):

- a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
- a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (PTO/SB/30);
- an Amendment and Response to Office Action mailed March 18, 2008, including Attachments D and E:
- 4. a Statement of the Substance of the Interview of July 28, 2008;
- 5. an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS); and
- a Form PTO-1449 listing six (6) documents and accompanied by five (5) documents.

Applicants request that the following fees be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing docket number 16517.044:

\$1,050.00 three-month extension of time fee; and

\$ 810.00 request for continued examination fee.

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In the event that extensions of time beyond those petitioned for herewith are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned. Applicants do not believe any fees, other than the above fees (\$1860) are due in conjunction with this filing. However, if additional fees are required in the present application, including any additional fees for extensions of time, then the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Arnold & Porter LLP Deposit Account No. 50-2387, referencing matter number 16517.044.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments